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## NOTICE OF APPEAL AND PRE-APPEAL BRIEF REQUEST FOR REVIEW

SIR:

Applicant hereby respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated December 19, 2008, finally rejecting the pending claims in this application. Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to grant a one-month extension of time.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1047 the one-month extension fee (\$130) and the Appeal Fee (\$540). It is further requested that the Commissioner charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account 50-1047.

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A Pre-Appeal Brief Request For Review is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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